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Dear children

Jessys letter of
24th came O K Glad to know
you all seem to keep fairly
well All as well here Nigo
I have read carefully what
you say regarding use of the
Auto I am using the two
higher speeds when practical
now since I have become
more familiar with it and
see the reasons for doing so
Reference to the speedometer
shows that I have driven the
car in all 550 miles and
all of the time nearly it has
been loaded to its seating room

We had two little mishaps
getting from Riverdale here
Dick came with ~~me~~ in his
car to 55th st. He turned in
at our old st in Englewood
which is all torn up at present
for paving and water with a
very rough track in the center
and water pipes and paving
material along each edge.
He stopped his rig front of me
and I could not stop soon
enough to avoid bumping him
so turned off to miss his car
and struck my right wheel
against the end of a pipe that
laid on the dirt so near that
I could not pass was going
slow and gradually stopped but the
impact bent the front axle
same I had also broken a
leaf or two in the front spring.

running over chuck holes in
the road. These things did not
stop the car from running &
we went around the city on
the boulevard drive everything
went nicely except some little
time from the until we got
near here there was a short
piece of new road on level
ground that was rounded up
quite full in the middle and
had just been oiled a few
minutes before we got there.
The car skidded like glare
ice before we had gone far
and it was so slippery that
I had no control of it
it swung around very quick

across the road and then came
the engine shut off nearly as I
was running on on the foot
throttle the car then slid down
the incline of the road and
fetched up against a Tel pole
striking the tail light against
it and smashing it beyond
repair I have heard later
that a machine came where
behind us skidded and smashed
a front wheel all to pieces
so I guess we got off lucky
I have every thing replaced
and repaired now and the
car is running nicely the
whole casualty list was
about 5 dollars This covers
all of our expense so far
except gas and oil on the
car Have put on two new
tire casings and will get

one more before leaving here
Will and Abbie came over
with us and have gone back
home again now We think of
starting west again soon and
our next address will be Mansu
We will go some 20 miles
north of here to where Aunt
Weltha's sister Mrs Nelson lives
stop there over one night then
west perhaps by Lake Geneva
It has been dry and very hot
for several days I have never
suffered so much with heat
before felt like coming to Cuba
to cool off every one abandoned
up stairs sleeping rooms and
many left the houses and slept
in the yards it is a little
cooler now rained quite hard

yesterday and looks quite rainy
now 12 noon Mayqu is said
to be getting along nicely has
gained some 12 lbs in weight
Now regarding the business there
We hardly like to sell the
hens at \$1.00 each although this
year would about finish them
up for good layers I think you
had better take them to your
place and commence feeding
them when ever they are
worth^{more} to eat than far layers
Do with the H H goods as
seems best to you and all will
be well I am so sorry George
had to leave before our return
but I am into it now and
can only say to do the best
you can until I can get
back There are some few little
things there belonging to Melville

which he can take charge of or leave
with our things till we come
Parties buying the place may not
object to your making up the
buggy shed and leave it there till
we come or perhaps Gus
would let you store it in the
furniture factory or under the
shed there To do with all the
stuff as you think best I think
Howard had better stick with
you until we return If he
does not care to go to Carnegie
will try and make other
arrangements when we come
We have no school in view
here for him and it would be
rather awkward and expensive
to divide up the family now
We can arrange to shorten

our stay here considerable should
it seem advisable I hardly see
how you can manage with
George away to keep things moving
I only learned a few days since
that he was on the move as have
had no chance to arrange for my
business here. It looks to me now
as though I had better dispose
of the car and be getting
home by the shortest route.

Hoping this may find you
all well and that every
thing may turn out for the
best of all parties concerned.
I remain as ever ^{your} father

J W Crosby